WORLD EVENTS FLASHED FROM CAPITALS OF EUROPE

ENGLISH JUDGES LAX

King's Bench of High Court Behind in Its Work.

LAWYERS MAKE COMPLAINT

Adjudication of Their Cases Delayed by Slow Progress, While Chancery Justices Keep Calendar Clear-Two New Judge at Salary of \$25,000 a Year Authorized by Parliament,

London, July 23 .- Like American judges, English judges complain that they are overworked. As a result, Parliament is authorizing the appointment of two new judges to the High Court bench at a salary of \$25,000 a year, with \$17,500 a year as pension after retirement.

The High Court is composed of two di visions, King's Bench and Chancery. The judges of the King's Bench are behind in their work and lawyers and clients are complaining of the delay in the adjudication of their cases. The chancery judges keep their calendar clear, and there is no delay in their courts.

Four of the six judges on the chancer, bench are under sixty but over fifty. Justice Joyce is still active at seventy. Sixteen judges occupy the courts of King's Bench, including Lord Chief Justice Alversione. The appointment of the two new judges will give the King's Bench eighteen judges, and it is hoped to obviate further complaints of delay.

The judges on the King's Bench are on the average older than the chancery judges. Justice Lawrence still sits at seventy, and is not contemplating retire-

About 70,000 cases are filed annually in the King's Bench. Not all of them, of course, come up for hearing. Of these 70,000 about 3,000 are set down for trial, and of these about 2,000 actually are tried. Two-thirds of these cases are tried in London, the other third on circuit. It is estimated that each judge tries annually 120 cases; twenty years ago the aver-

While the judges complain of overwork, it is a fact that they work only thirty-six five hours a day for five days a week. Of course, their work is not wholly represented by those figures because all of them have more or less work to do in their chambers or their homes. The judges seem to be an unusually healthy illness average only four days a year.

LANCE IS FORMIDABLE.

German Military Authorities Say Weapon Is Justified.

Berlin, July 23 .- The Vance as a cavalry weapon has justified its existence, military experts agree, in the South African and the Russo-Japanese war, in spite of ioned and cumbersome. The German military authorities still believe in shock tactics and the cavalry charge, and under those circumstances the lance in the Prussian Uhlan's hands remains a formidable weapon.

Experience, however, has also shown that the lance point often makes too deep wounds for the shaft to be withdrawn quickly, and so the lancer runs the risk of having it wrenched from his grasp in the charge. The cavalry regiments stationed at Brunswick and Strasburg are experimenting with a new kind of lance which carries a ball below the base of the lancehead, preventing it from penetrating further. It is said that the new arm is just as effective in disabling an enemy and is free from other disadvantages. It will probably be adopted by all the German lancer regiments.

ENGLAND'S OLD SHIPS SOLD. Billboards of London Contain Pos-

ters of Advertisements.

London, July 23.-England's navy is so big and improvements in war ships are so rapid that periodically the navy de-Richrdson, N. Dak., U. S. A., who has partment sells its obsolete fighting ships been elected bishop of the new dlocese by auction. For a month the billboards of Bismarck, in the same State, went to of London have contained posters advertising a sale by auction of a job lot of

struct, but the auction at the Portsmouth Navy Yard realized only \$400,000. The most interesting vessel sold was the second-class cruiser Melampus. It was and was then sent to Richardson and on this cruiser that King George flew his first commander's flag. The Melampus realized \$45,000.

war ships. They cost millions to con-

The battle ship Centurion, from which Admiral Sir Edward Seymour commanded the landing of bluejackets to march to the relief of the besieged embassies in Pekin during the Boxer rebellion, realized \$125,000. Her sister ship, the Bar-

fleur, brought \$1,500 more. Junk dealers bought the ships. They were so obsolete that not even a South American republic could afford to buy

AIRSHIP TRACKS NEXT.

German Aeronauts Talk of Constructing Buoy System.

Berlin July 22.-German aeronauts are already talking about the mapping out of properly lighted airship tracks for the guidance of dirigibles and aeroplanes ditions make it necessary for airmen to Mrs. L. B. McCrossan. fly above low-hanging clouds which hide From Minneapolis, at Lucerne, Mr. the landscape. The technical paper Luft- and Mrs, F. W. Currier. schiffhalle says that a patent has just been issued for a new system of sta-

the direction of the surface winds, and Stein and Mrs. Stein's sister-in-law, not sufficient to convict. dangerous landing places.

for a start by some large cities to equip P. Herrick, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Emantheir landing places for airships.

Heavy Storm on Pacific.

Guadalajara, Mexico, July 23.-News has man, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carter, Mr. been received here of a terrific storm and Mrs. J. B. Chafee, Mr. and Mrs. W. which swept the Upper Pacific coast of Slidell, Miss Schnell. was narrowly averted.

GOWNS WORN AT CHANTILLY RACES.



weeks of the fifty. The judges sit only Scene at famous French race course, showing two stylish gowns, worn by women of fashion. One is a white chiffon tunic, with a heavy lace band border, over a black satin underskirt. The hat is black, with a superb white osprey. The other is one of the new taffeta coats, shirred around the

judges seem to be an unusually healthy lot of men because their absences due to AMERICANS IN SWITZERLAND LONDON LOSES ITS 'BUSKS

Are Doing in the Land of

zerland, his stirring letter to the president of the Swiss confederation, recently made public, shows how thoroughly he appreciates Swiss democracy. That pects to make an extended hunting trip in Paris. in the Alps in September, and may visit the region of the proposed Swiss National Park, in the Grisons.

The President of the Argentine Repubbe especially interesting.

Miss Mary Garrett, who is the head of that splendid institution - for training children born deaf, which she founded at Philadelphia, has returned here for an extended visit.

America from Einsiedein. He entered the monastery in 1875, and was ordained in 1882. Soon after going to America as a missionary he founded the priory of Devils Lake in the diocese of the Right Rev. Bishop Shanley, in North Dakota established the monastery of which he

was made the first abbot in 1904. Among the first people to arrive, in Mr. R. E. Anderson and family, Ta-They report having enjoyed the trip im-

mensely. It will interest many Americans to known that in Grindelwald, in the Bernese Oberland, are found among the visitors many followers of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, who regularly hold a Christian Science service every Sunday.

Among Americans reported from various points in Switzerland are the fol-From Boston, at Lucerne, Mr. and Mrs.

A. T. Glidden. From Baltimore, at Interlaken, Mr.

and Mrs. Louis Muller, old visitors. From Chicago, at Lucerne, Mrs. J. J. Borland and niece; at Interlaken, Mr. traveling by night or when weather con- and Mrs. C. K. Warren; at Zermatt, Capt. Vahlkampf Guilty of Atrocious

C. E. Schaff, vice president of the New from the army for systematic crueity. Mrs. Charles S. Renswart; Mrs. Gilbert | Vahlkampf used his sword, his fists. buoys, to be effective, should not be Graham; at Lucerne, Mrs. and Miss they bled from the nose, mouth, and the convicts devour their contents. placed too far apart. Neverthless, it Reynolds Adriance; Mrs. Hays, Dr. ears. Such acts on his part were almost seems the system is going to be adopted O'Hagan, Mr. and Mrs. Lovekin, Mr. G. daily occurrences. uel, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Ewer, Mrs. B. F. Reis, Miss S. L. Jackson, Mrs. Hunter, Mr. Roland Hunter, Mr. J. C. Black-

age was done to property, many build- and Mrs. Theodore Voorhees, Mr. and Socialists are anti-gamblers and want the loaded with grape stand in readiness to ture to a very high degree by means of the hanging on his own account, hoping, waste of time to teach it to university ings being partly destroyed. The ship- Mrs. E. W. Mandusur, Mr. J. H. Boh- lotteries abolished, but they are not likely suppress any attempt at revolt, and when currents, apparently without pain. After he said, that one picture more would not students. At the graduation day exerping in the harbor suffered losses. The len and family; at Interlaken, Miss A. M. to succeed in their abolition campaign, they are permitted on deck a hose conloss of the Mexican gunboat Tampico Patten and Miss M. J. Teeslide, Mr. and as all the southerners, and especially the nected with the boilers is within reach of away, leaving the stumps perfectly cica-Mrs. P. L. Spalding and chauffeur,

Interesting News of What Tourists Introduction Into English Capital Due to George Shillebeer, Who

Lucerne, July 23.-Though former Pres- London, July 23.-It is exactly eightyments prevented him from-visiting Swit- appeared in London streets, from which in Leipzig. they are now fast disappearing. In 1828 they were first used in Paris, and their introduction into London was due to he would like to visit our mountains is George Shillibeer, who had a romantic Kermit, is returning to Europe and ex- navy, and afterward as a coach builder

He placed the first two omnibuses ever seen in England on the London streets July, 1829. They were built to carry lic, Jose Figuera Alcorta, has again twenty-two passengers, all inside, and in bounds. taken up his residence at the Tivoli, for were drawn by three beautiful bays harboth sides of the vehicles.

Large crowds assembled to witness the journey being to the Bank, for which the charge was twenty-five cents. 'Newspapers and magazines were provided free of charge for the travelers.

In 1890 over 4,000 horse-drawn omnibus es were licensed by Scotlond Yard, but the advent of the motor and development of the electric tramcars had reduced the number to 2.155 in 1908.

CONSIDERS GERMAN TREATY.

President-elect of Brazil Deals with Berlin Foreign Office.

Fonseca, President-elect of Brazil, arrived carriage, over the Grimsel and Furka here yesterday. Two representatives of passes this year at Interlaken, were the German foreign office met and welcomed him. Fonseca says his visit is encoma, Wash., who are touring Europe. tirely one of pleasure, but the presence Five Hundred Men, Chained in Pairs, of Senhor Souto, the president of the Brazilian Economic Union, gives an idea that Fonseca's visit is connected with the new Brazilian-German commercia treaty.

President Fonseca says the prosperity of San Paulo and Santa Catharina are due to the fact that they are practically German colonies.

Prof. Schmoller of the Berlin Univer-sity referred to these German colonies when he wrote, "A nation of 200,000,000 Germans will some day rise in South

ARMY OFFICER CRUEL.

Acts Toward Men.

Berlin, July 23 .- Capt. Vahlkampf, of the 111th Infantry, has been sentenced to From New York, at Interlaken, Mr. two years' imprisonment and dismissed tionary luminous aerial buoys of enor- York Central Lines West of Buffalo, and During the trial it was shown that he family; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gray, Mr. had been guilty of 785 distinct acts of and Mrs. Milton Robins, Mr. and Mrs. cruelty in the course of three years. The the earth. Different colors are proposed Nase, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham M. Stein, judges declared that there were hundreds as signals indicating threatening storms, with maid; Master Stein and the Misses of other cases where the evidence was

State Lotteries Net Millions. are a feature of the Italian treasury re- they can. ceipts for the fiscal year ended last June. Neapolitans, are confirmed gamblers.

Portuguese Sent to Vatican Persona

non Grata. elations between Portugal and the Vatcan are much commented upon. Recently Cardinal Merry del Val wrote to the Archbishop of Braga, ordering the suppression of a Portuguese Franciscan paper, which was done.

The government regarded this as an infringement of its prerogatives, and the Crown published a royal decree, censuring the Vatican. The archbishop is now organizing a clerical campaign to protest against the decree.

The Pope having refused to accept two eminent politicians proposed as Portuguese Minister to the Vatican, the emassy is now vacant, and the Cabinet has decided to leave it vacant pro tem. The Seculo says it is not impossible that the embassy will be abolished.

Despite Denouncements of Extravagance, Pictures Still Fall Under Hammer at Prohibitive Price.

Below is a table showing the results of the sales of eleven other ocllections at

Porcelain, furniture, &c. (June 7, 8, 9).

Kermit Roosevelt May Visit Proposed Swiss National Park.

Public Vehicles Are Fast Disappearing from Foggy Streets.

Public Vehicles Are Fast Disappearing for the Falcke collection of bronzes, &c. (April 19, 20, 21, 22). The Theobald collection, etchings, and engravings (April 12, 13 and 25-30). The Guest collection of plate, porcelain, &c. (April 11, 12, 13, 14).

FROGS CAUSE LAWSUIT.

Case Goes to Court.

was lately fought before the German ident Roosevelt's European engage- one years since the horse omnibuses first tribunals right up to the Supreme Court

evident and he may yet do so. His son, career, first as a "middy" in the British was so loud and continuous as to deprive far as possible, only antique furniture ing on a law which forbids any one from Herbert, have collected all the contests. diminishing the value of another's prop-

he season, and will be present at the nessed abreast. Outside, in large letters, not to blame for the musical activity of dining-room is a Jacobean buffet, eight race meeting, which is, this season, to was printed the words "Omnibus," on the frogs, which he had not placed in the inches long, and an oak table of corowner on the ground that the frogs were start from the Yorkshire Stingo, the a dispensation of nature which must be put up with like the sun and rain. The judgment was upset by the next higher remberg tankard, old Dutch tribunal, and the decision of the latter scones,

the noise emitted by them constituted injury to neighboring property.

OFF FOR FRENCH GUIANA

Berlin, July 23.-Marshal Herms Da Convicts Not Well Treated on Board Transport Loire.

> Placed in Iron Cages-Bread Every Morning.

Paris, July 23.-French convicts, it is treated in Gulana and other penal settle- shopkeepers in London. nents, but the good treatment certainly does not begin with their transportation sells them plants and blossoms at fancy to their new home.

ransport Loire. Chained two and two and leather gardening gloves. "My Shop" to each other, the prisoners are taken is the sign over the doorway. from the old citadel in the Ile de Re near Rochelle, marched to the pier, and placed on barges, which take them to the ship. between decks, separated from each other one being eighty-nine and four eighty-

guard fully armed.

hour. Hammocks are served out in the Rome, July 23.—Net profits of \$18,585,000 evening, slung to the ceiling of the

This is a considerable advance on the criminals, great precautions are taken on quency. Experiments on animals proved this country. At Mazatlan much dam- From Philadelphia, at Zermatt, Mr. gains of the preceding year. The Italian board to keep them in order. Four guns the possibility of raising the tempera- ways returned. So he had tried to do day of Greek is over and that it is a the sailors on guard.

for Their Injuries.

Auto Is Awarded \$800.

HIGH PRICES AT ART SALE

This Year Notable in the Auction Rooms at London.

London, July 23.-The extravagance of of art at auction rooms, an extravagance Christie's. At the sale of the Meinerzhagen collection of engravings nine mezzotints, all of which were originally published for about \$5 each, brought \$47,500. An unlettered proof of Ward's engraving of Hoppner's portrait of "The Frankland Daughters," brought \$5,000. Its previous sale realized \$3,500.

Since April 7, when a series of imporant sales of pictures began at Christie's, eleven collections have realized \$2,763,380. The sale of Baron Schroeder's collection of paintings, engravings, and jewels, precious and semi-precious, brought the total true, claimed \$12,000. She was driving to of \$690,290.

Croaking Disturbs Neighbors

Berlin, July 23.-An uncommon case

close friendship until one of them had an expert in heraldry and the fine arts. an artificial pond constructed in his garden. After a time a number of frogs and took about five years to complete. appeared in the pond, and their croaking The furnishings is not yet finished. As the neighboring family of its nightly rest.

erty requested the pond owner to make table lies a visitors' book the size of a arrangements for keeping the frogs with- postage stamp, with King Edward's pond. The first tribunal upheld the pond

was affirmed by the Supreme Court, The Supreme Court reasoned that whoever made a pond had to reckon with the subsequent appearance of frogs, and that

Bread is distributed every morning, and 103, and his death was due, according to twice a day a party ascends to the deck one of the remaining centenarians, a nail in the wall. Next the stranger unwith vessels which are filled with provi- woman of 101, to an act of carelessness. sions at the rate of twelve portions in each. Sometimes the food is codfish cooked with rice, sometimes bacon with The only objection seems to be the Smith, Dr. S. E. Siwely and daughters; and his feet. It was testified that he had potatoes or beans or lentils. The pans for independent women has been founded grabbed him. cost of lighting a whole air track, as the at Grindelwald—Mr. and Mrs. Ziba K. kicked prestrate men in the head till having been brought down to the cages, in Berlin. The main object of the bank.

In fine weather, when the transport in business on their own account. Ordiis well away from land, parties of 100 nary banks are reluctant to grant women searched, but no property beloning to laws of the Church are punished by such at a time are allowed on deck for half an the same credit as men. derived from the weekly state lotteries cage, and the convicts get what sleep

EMBASSY IS VACANT. DIFFER IN DAMAGES GREAT ART OF LIFE BASE OF PISA TOWER

Lisbon, July 23.-The coldness of the Two Actresses Get Claims Aged Princess Helene Writes Foundation Simply Consists

Witness Appear in Court to Show Music Hall Manager Insisted on Her Using Live Reptile-She Gets \$340 and the Other Bruised in

a music hall, the other from a theater, were injured last winter, the former by serpent's bite, the latter by a motorbus. Both have just been awarded compensation by the courts.

The damage done by the motor-bus has been estimated at nearly three times that some forty years ago, and won, in the base, as it was generally believed to be, inflicted by the serpent. The music hall actress played in the "Amorous Review," a part which consisted in dancing with a ive snake coiled round her. One evening the snake bit her, and she

suffered an injury which, according to evidence, brought about what will be a permanent disablement within the meaning of the employers' liability act. Witnesses were picduced to show that the manager insisted on the plaintiff the prices pald for paintings and objects appearing with a real live reptile. She began to act in the "Amorous Review" with one which died. She then offered to appear with an india rubber snake, but ontinues to mark the sales proceeding at the manager demurred. The spectators must see a real live snake on the stage

Bitten by Madagascar Snake. He even promised to pay half the price of a new live serpent if she eventually obtained a Madagascar snake from a purveyor to the zoo. This was the reptile that bit her. The court awarded her \$340, part representing medical attendance expenses, and the balance her salary at the rate of six shillings a day since the date of the accident.

The actress who was damaged motor-bus got \$800, but she had, it is the theater in a taxicab which collided with a motor-bus. As a consequence, she was bruised in the body and received a cut in her cheek, which has left a scar

GREAT DOLL HOUSE IS SHOWN

King-at-arms.

Everything Made Lilliputian, Including Book the Size of Postage Stamp and Other Articles.

doll house in the world is on exhibition in London. It is the work of Capt. Two neighbors lived for a long time in Wilkinson, Ulster King-at-arms, who is The house is about seven feet square silver, and china are used, and Capt The disturbed family objected, and rely- Wilkinson and his wife, Lady Muriel Everything is Lilliputian. On the hall name inscribed for he and Queen Alexandra went to the house in 1908. In the

responding dimensions. A Georgian silver beaker, the size of a thimble, is flanked by diminutive Queen Anne candlesticks, and a silver gilt Nu Chiddingfold and Venetian glasses, a Dresden coffee service, silver engineers, employed on the National salvers, and tea and coffee urns are Railways of Mexico, have been arrested

seen in the wee dining-room.

The oak doors which separate the reception rooms were carved by Capt. struction, Wilkinson. The grand plane, of satinwood and marquetry, is the work of a Mr. Putland. It is a perfect model, thoroughly in tune and can be played upon, though a child's hand could span the keyboard. The library is fairly complete. There are volumes of the poets in tooled vellum and shagren, which measure half an inch in length, and there are volumes dated 1642 which could be hidden in a man's hand. The contents of Story Told How Painter Nailed Own the whole mansion could almost be carried off in a man's hat, but their value is large.

"My Shop" Is Her Sign. London, July 23.-Lady Angela Forbes

Her enterprise is a flower shop, where prices. The titled proprietress flits about Five hundred have just left on the among her wares wearing a blue apron

> Two Centenarians in Village. Paris, July 23.-The village of Grabels,

near Montpelier, in Southern France, has Once aboard, they descend to the iron only 500 inhabitants, but two of them are cages or bagnes, of which there are four centenarians and twelve are over eighty, by passages in which are seamen on five. There were three centenarians until the village doctor died at the age of

is to finance women who desire to start and the next morning before the magis- excommunication is required, as mar-

Berlin Bank for Women

Amputation by Electricity. Paris, July 23.-Prof. d'Arsonaval sug- itor, Charles Fournier, confessed.

Her Autobiography.

Become One of the Most Notable Figures in European Nobility.

Danced with Eugenie.

London, July 23 .- Herein lies the great art of life, to enjoy the full scent of the roses and all other gifts of nature. while carefully avoiding the thorns. Such is the frank philosophy of the life of Princess Helene von Racowitza, who, like another Helen, fired all hearts

cess has had a career romantic and From her father, a brilliant Bavarian diplomat, at the court of Max II, she inherited the blood of the Vikings; her mother, a beautiful and fascinating woman, belonged to one of the highly cultured Jewish families of Berlin, a family of poets and philosophers, while the Greek in the adoration of beauty.

Playmate of Louis II. one of her earliest playmates was the of its constructors. Crown Prince Louis, of Bavaria, who afterward became King Louis II. Her parents belonged to the intimate circle of King Max II, and Helene was chosen as the most fitting comrade for the young the increase has been nearly a foot.

The childish friendship was broken by principally that the base of the tower has a quarrel in which the Crown Prince always been immersed in water, and a and little Helene fought like wild cats. When her father heard of the episode, in spite of the complete forgiveness of the royal parents, the intimate inter- quake shock in 1834 gave the tower an course between the children was broken additional inclination of five inches, off. Years after, when the Crown Prince was a king and the little girl the widowed Princess von Racowitza, he sent believed to be another source of danger. his former playmate some bonbons, with Cardinal Maggi, Archbishop of Pisa, hasthe words: "Greeting to my once wild

From Munich to Berlin, from Berlin has ordered that the smaller bells shall to Turin, where her father was minister be simply beaten with the hammer henceto King Victor Emmanuel, and from forth. Turin to Nice went Helene, a beautiful debutante in her early teens. Dainty and winsome as a fairy, with sharply-cut profile, glorious golden hafr, and wonderful eyes, which were blue, gray, and Completed in Five Years by Ulster green by turns, is the description Baron Voldendorff gives of her beauty at this

> While at Nice, the town gave a ball press Eugenie, then at the zenith of her

what is known as the Lassalle epi- mails by the weekly mail ships London, July 23.-The most wonderful Ferdinand Lassalle, the brilliant and ro- to certain reservations, to convey, withhalf a century ago and its unfortunate The contract runs twenty years, termiending, the Princess has been alter- nating on November 15, 1927. nately hailed as an unhappy herofae and

> ndemned as a heartless jilt. Lassalle was fatally wounded in a duel by another of her lovers, a young Rou- how much of this is in consideration of manian prince, Yanko von Racowitza. Helene, who never regarded the Prince as the murderer of her lover, become the Princess von Racowitza, her hus- Steamship Company by the navy is \$750.-

AMERICAN ENGINEERS NABBED Placed in Mexican Jail for Shooting

Railroad Foreman. Saltillo, Mexico, July 23 .- Nelson Corry and Randolph Harrison, American civil among the matchless curiosities to be and placed in jail, charged with shooting and fatally wounding Francisco Cantu, general foreman of railroad con-

MUSEUM THEFTS FREQUENT

French Minister of Fine Arts Orders Detail of Watchmen.

Picture on Wall, but It Is Returned,

Paris, July 23.-France is the country often said in France, are far too well is the latest recruit to the ranks of titled where museum thefts are most frequent. The reason is that of the 266 state-owned Extensive Havoc Reported in Northmuseums only 100 are under anything like she personally waits on customers and adequate supervision. Only 148 of them have a regular custodian, and only 68 boast of a printed catalogue.

In view of the growing number of thefts the French minister of fine arts has ordered that night watchmen shall be appointed to all the museums. At the Saint Cloud picture gallery a small collection formed by Napoleon III with some 20,000, have been practically destroyed. 200 paintings for which there was no room at the Louvre, the new night watchman had a queer experience.

Hearing a suspicious noise, he crept quietly to the room whence the sound proceeded and discovered a young man, an artist from his clothes, hammering a folded a parcel and from it took a framed picture, which he hung carefully on the nail. Stepping back he gazed at Berlin, July 23.-A co-operative bank it admiringly, and then the watchman The man was locked up for the night,

the museum was found on him, and the a penalty de jure." watchman could not swear he had seen him thieving. Finally the nocturnal visgests a novel method of amputation by Blushing crimson, he said that his As many of these men are desperate means of electric currents of high fre- greatest ambition was to have a picture agree with some other distinguished Engaccepted, but, alas, his pictures were al- lish 'varsity men who believe that the

night roundsman.

of Ring of Masonry.

ONE BITTEN BY A SERPENT HAS HAD ROMANING CAREER PERPENDICULAR WHEN BUILT

Ring of Base Precisely Same as Inside of Structure and Only Nine Feet Beneath Surface of Ground.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa, with its eight tiers of marble colonnades, is threatened with the same fate that overtook

A royal commission of experts as the result of a thorough investigation reports in the noonday of her brilliant beauty, that instead of being a massive, spacious evening of her days, has taken the world the foundation consists simply of a ring into her confidence in a more than un- of masonry exactly corresponding to the usually candid autobiography. The Prin-huge cylindrical mass superposed thereon, The diameter of the inner ring of the foundation is precisely the same (a little

over eight feet) as that of the inside of This fact and the discovery that the foundations are merely nine feet nine inches beneath the surface have convinced the commission that the tower was originally built perpendicularly and temperament of Helene herself was pure that its leaning propensities, which are becoming more and more accentuated. are not due to any intention on the part

Increase Nearly Foot. In 1829 the tower was nearly fourteen and a half feet out of the vertical, and since then the commission believes that The causes for this condition are

deep cistern dug seventy years ago in an unsuccessful attempt at drainage has only As the oscillation caused by the ringing of its magnificent peal of seven bells is

suspended the ringing of the two biggest

which together weight over six tons, and

SUBSIDY FOR CUNARD LINE. British Government Pays \$340,000 a Year to Mail Carrier.

London, July 23 .- A Parliamentary paper, just issued, shows the subsidies that the Cunard Line gets from the British government. The annual subsidy paid n honor of Napoleon III and the Em- to the Cunard Steamship Company by the post-office is \$340,000. The main service performed in respect of this subsidy The Princess devotes many chapters is the conveyance of letter and parcel sode. It is a fervent chapter from the Liverpool and Queenstown to New York. Book of Love, this tragic love-story of The company is also required, subject mantic father of German Socialism, and out additional payment, letter and parcel the beautiful Helene von Donniges, which mails from this country to the United furnished George Meredith with the mo- States, and parcel mails from New York tive for his novel, "The Tragic Come- to Queenstown and Liverpool by any dians." For her part in that romance of steamships of the company that may run,

A total sum of about \$50,000 per annum is recouped from foreign and colonial administrations, but it cannot be stated

the more rapid service afforded by the ships in question. The annual subsidy paid by the Cunard band dying a year later from consump- 000, viz.: \$375,000 each in respect of Mauretania and Lusitania. In consideration of this payment the company is bound during the term of the agreement to hold all its vessels at the disposal of the government to be hired or purchased upon certain conditions. The agreement is for

twenty years from September 16, 1907. TAXI CHAUFFEUR HONORED.

Frederick Hitch, of London, Wears the Bronze Victoria Cross. London, July 23 .- Londoners who ride in taxicab No. 6848 usually give Frederick

yond the usual tip because he wears the bronze Victoria Cross, the decoration most coveted and cherished by the British soldier, whether he be Field Marshal Lord Roberts or humble Tommy Atkins. The Victoria Cross is conferred only for extraordinary heroism in the face of the enemy and is the rarest of all decorations. Queen Victoria herself pinned the

bronze cross upon Hitch's coat for an act

of valor performed at Rorkes Drift dur-

ing the war with the Zulus. Now he

Hitch, the chauffeur, a penny or two be-

drives a taxicab. HURRICANE IN ITALY.

ern Part of Country. Rome, July 23 .- A disastrous hurricane has swept over Northern Italy. Dis-

patches from Milan, Como, Saronno, and Erba report extensive havoc. The latest reports state that Saronno, Lonate, and Revellasca, three industrial It is known that many buildings at Saronno were leveled to the ground, including the workshops of the Northern

Railway. Sixty workmen were hurried to the ruins. Six bodies have been recovered, Relief parties have been dispatched.

No Excommunication Needed. Rome, July 23.-Cardinal Agliardi, replying to a question as to whether the Church had excommunicated the wife of Prince Oscar of Prussia because she married a Protestant, said: "No special trate he refused to speak. He was riages contracted in conflict with the

> Greek Study Emphasized. London, July 23 .- Sir Oliver Lodge, president of Birmingham University, does not

university dld not have a chair of Greek.